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SUBJ: ANGOLA IN ZAIRIAN PRESS, DECEMBER 17

1. OFFICIAL ZAIRIAN NEWSAGENCY (AZAP) DECEMBER 17 REPORTED MEETING OF MOBUTU, HOLDEN AND SAVIMBI AT MBANDAKA (ZAIRE) DECEMBER 16. SUBSTANCE OF MEETING NOT IMMEDIATELY REVEALED, BUT SAVIMBI, WHO FLEW SAME DAY TO KINSHASA, TOLD REPORTED THERE THAT HE HAD CONSULTED WITH MOBUTU ON "SERIOUS SITUATION" IN ANGOLA. QUESTIONED BY REPORTERS, SAVIMBI REFUSED TO INDICATE EXACT NUMBER OF CUBANS FIGHTING

WITH MPLA. ALSO DENIED THAT HIS TROOPS ARE BEING AIDED BY SOUTH AEDICANS

REPORT SAID SAVIMBI WILL GIVE PRESS CONFERENCE LATER TODAY (DECEMBER 17) AT WHICH HE WILL DISCUSS FOREIGN MILITARY INTERVENTION IN ANGOLA. REPORT CONCLUDES WITH HINT THAT SAVIMBI MAY USE THAT OCCASION TO PRESENT TO PRESS FOREIGN MERCENARIES CAPTURED BY FNLA/UNITA FORCES.

2. KINSHASA DAILY ELIMA DECEMBER 17 CARRIES STATEMENT BY ANGOLAN UNCLASSIFIED

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DOCTOR MOTEMA, SURGEON IN SERVICE OF DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA

(DRA). MOTEMA SAID NETO'S CLAIM TO PRESIDENCY OF ANGOLA INVALID, THAT NO ANGOLAN COULD CLAIM TITLE UNLESS ELECTED TO THAT OFFICE BY UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE.

MOTEMA ALSO STATED THAT FNLA/UNITA FORCES HAVE CAPTURED MORE THAN 50 RUSSIANS AND CUBANS IN ANGOLA.

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